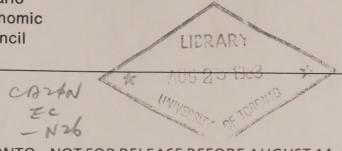
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In May 1984 the Ontario Economic Council hosted a conference entitled *Ottawa and the Provinces: The Distribution of Money and Power.* The purpose of the conference was to begin to lay the groundwork for the 1987 revision of the federal-provincial fiscal arrangements. A range of issues reflecting the very broad nature of the fiscal arrangements was addressed (e.g., equalization, health care, post-secondary education, welfare, the Canadian economic union, and the structure and processes of federal-provincial relations). In addition, sessions were devoted to various perspectives on the fiscal arrangements—historical, regional, and international.

Ottawa and the Provinces: Regional Perspectives by Roy J. Romanow, Claude Ryan, and Robert L. Stanfield covers the conference session devoted to regional perspectives on the fiscal arrangements. The authors (from different regions and from different political backgrounds) were invited to share their views on federal-provincial relations hopefully, but not necessarily, from the vantage point of their regions. Each of these authors brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the analysis of federal-provincial finances. The response to the presentation of their papers was so overwhelming that the Council decided to publish them as a separate piece in advance of the full conference proceedings. On behalf of the Council, I would like to thank Mr. Romanow, Mr. Ryan, and Mr. Stanfield for co-operating so fully with this publication schedule.

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As is the case with all our conference proceedings, the views expressed are those of the authors and not necessarily those of the Ontario Economic Council.

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